

File No. 13-1/2021-SLUSI/INM  
Government of India  
Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare  
Department of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare

Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi  
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**Office Memorandum**

Subject: Uploading of the proposed amendments/revision in the Recruitment Rules of Soil Survey Officer in Soil and Land Use Survey of India (SLUSI) – regarding.

The undersigned is directed to refer to the subject cited above and to enclose herewith the proposed amendments/revision in the Recruitment Rules of Soil Survey Officer in SLUSI for uploading on the DA&FW/SLUSI website for 30 days for inviting the comments from the stakeholders for further processing of the proposal.



(Chandra Shekhar Prasad)  
Under Secretary (INM)

To,

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2. The Senior System Analyst, Remote Sensing Centre, Noida

Copy for information:

1. The S. SSO, SLUSI (HQ)

New Delhi, the ..... August, 2021

G.S.R. .... In exercise of the powers conferred by the proviso to Article 309 of the Constitution and in supersession of the Soil and Land Use Survey of India (Soil Survey Officer) Recruitment Rules, 2013 and Soil and Land Use Survey of India (Soil Survey Officer) Recruitment (Amendment) Rules, 2017 except as respects things done or omitted to be done before such supersession, the President hereby makes the following rules regulating the method of recruitment to the post of Soil Survey Officer in the Soil and Land Use Survey of India under the Ministry of Agriculture (Department of Agriculture and Farmer's Welfare) namely:--

**1. Short title and commencement.** - (1) These rules may be called the Soil and Land Use Survey of India (Soil Survey Officer) Recruitment Rules, 2021.

(2) They shall come into force on the date of their publication in the Official Gazette.

**2. Number of posts, classification and Level in the pay matrix.** – The number of the said posts, its classification and Level in the pay matrix attached thereto shall be as specified in columns (2) to (4) of the Schedule annexed to these rules.

**3. Method of recruitment, age-limit and other qualifications, etc.**– The method of recruitment, age-limit, qualifications and other matters relating thereto shall be as specified in columns (5) to (13) of the said Schedule.

**4. Disqualification.** – No person, --

(a) who has entered into or contracted a marriage with a person having a spouse living; or

(b) who, having a spouse living, has entered into or contracted a marriage with any person, shall be eligible for appointment to the said post:

Provided that the Central Government may, if satisfied that such marriage is permissible under the personal law applicable to such person and the other party to the marriage and that there are other grounds for so doing, exempt any person from the operation of this rule.

**5. Power to relax.** – Where the Central Government is of the opinion that it is necessary or expedient so to do, it may, by order and for reasons to be recorded in writing and in consultation with the Union Public Service Commission, relax any of the provisions of these rules with respect to any class or category of persons.

**6. Saving.** – Nothing in these rules shall affect reservations, relaxation of age-limit and other concessions required to be provided for the Scheduled Castes, the Scheduled Tribes, the Other Backward Classes, Ex-Servicemen and other special categories of persons in accordance with the orders issued by the Central Government from time to time in this regard.

## SCHEDULE

Name of the Post	Number of Posts	Classification	Level in the Pay Matrix	Whether selection or non-selection post	Age limit for direct recruits	Educational and other qualifications required for direct recruits
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)
Soil Survey Officer	7*(2021) *Subject to variation dependent on work load	General Central Services, Group 'A', Gazetted Non-Ministerial,	Level-11 (Rs. 67700-208700) in the Pay Matrix	Non-selection	Not Applicable	Not applicable

Whether age and educational qualifications prescribed for direct recruits will apply in the case of promotees	Period of probation, if any	Method of recruitment: Whether by direct recruitment or by promotion or by deputation or absorption and percentage of the posts to be filled by various methods
(8)	(9)	(10)
Not applicable	Not Applicable	100% by Promotion

In case of recruitment by promotion or deputation or absorption, grades from which promotion or deputation or absorption is to be made	If a Department Promotion Committee (DPC) exists, what is its composition
(11)	(12)
<p><b>Promotion</b> Assistant Soil Survey Officer in the Pay Matrix [Level-10, pre-revised scale of Rs.56100-177500] or Assistant Soil Chemist in the Pay Matrix [Level – 10 pre-revised scale of Rs.56100 -177500] with 5 (five) years' regular service in the respective grade. <b>Note 1:</b> Where juniors who have completed their qualifying or eligibility service are being considered for promotion, their seniors would also be considered provided they are not short of the requisite qualifying or eligibility service by more than half of such qualifying or eligibility service or two years, whichever is less, and have successfully completed their probation period for promotion to the next higher grade, alongwith their juniors who have already completed such qualifying or eligibility service.</p>	<p>Group 'A' Departmental Promotion Committee (DPC) for considering promotion :-</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Additional Secretary ( Integrated Nutrient Management Division ), Department of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare - Chairman</li> <li>2. Joint Secretary ( Integrated Nutrient Management Division ), Department of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare - Member</li> <li>3. Joint Secretary (Administration), Department of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare - Member</li> <li>4. Additional Commissioner/Deputy Secretary/Director (Integrated Nutrient Management Division), Department of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare - Member</li> <li>5. Chief Soil Survey Officer, Soil and Land Use Survey of India - Member</li> </ol>

Circumstances in which Union Public Service Commission is to be consulted in making recruitment
(13)
Consultation with Union Public Service Commission is not necessary / Not applicable

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Chandra Shekhar Prasad, Under Secretary (INM)

Note: The principal recruitment rules have been notified vide No. G.S.R. 40 published on 08.02.2013 and G.S.R. 14 published on 28.12.2017.